

Registered Technician Guidelines

Registered technicians are required to earn four continuing education credits (= two hours) each year prior to renewal. These credits may be obtained by attending pesticide recertification meetings, “in-house” or on-line recertification programs and computer tutorials. Please note that the initial training program approved by WVDA, such as the University of Maryland videos, **may not** be used to obtain continuing education credits. For assistance in creating an in-house program, contact the WVDA Pesticide Regulatory Programs.

Registered technicians with insufficient credits to renew must complete one of these options:

- Take the Registered Technician Exam. This exam was developed for registered technician recertification based on the core manual “Applying Pesticides Correctly”. This exam will be administered at WVDA offices and is subject to regular testing fees.
- Take the Certified Applicator Exam. Technicians who have met the experience requirement may elect to take the commercial applicator’s exam.

Registered technicians may complete the same company’s registered technician training program **only once**. Those who fail to earn enough credits or leave employment and then later return to work for the **same** company, will be required to take one of the exams.